

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

US 6393147 issued to Danneels et al (May 21, 2002)

The office cited Danneels as relevant to novelty of all previously filed claims, but noted that the reference may be too late to be invalidating, based upon the claimed priority of the current application.

Setting aside the priority date, Danneels does not anticipate the claims as amended herein. All current claims depend on claim 1, which recites using a telephony device to capture an image, and transmit at least a portion of the image to a distal service for processing. Danneels is completely silent on the idea of using a cell phone or other telephony device for any purpose at all. The patent is directed entirely to strategies for identifying unknown object by comparing their color patterns to those of known objects.

US 6181817 issued to Zahib et al (May 21, 2002)

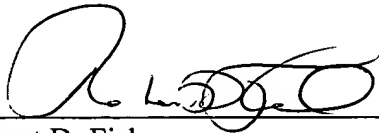
The office cited Zahib as relevant to novelty of all previously filed claims. Those rejections are inapplicable to the claims as amended herein.

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Applicant respectfully requests that a timely Notice of Allowance be issued in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

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